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Injury at Goldcorp Canada Mine Results in \$100,000 Fine

RED LAKE DISTRICT, ON – Goldcorp Canada Ltd. has pleaded guilty and has been fined \$100,000 after an incident in which a mine worker was injured by a haulage car.

On October 13, 2013, workers were performing tasks at the 800 level of the Campbell Complex Mine near Balmertown in the Red Lake District. The tasks included loading haulage cars which were moved using a battery-operated locomotive on tracks; loading was performed using a diesel scoop tram.

During the course of the shift, the haulage cars were returning to the work area where two workers were preparing oversized ore chunks for a blast and a third worker was next to the scoop tram. As the haulage cars were returning and approaching the crew, one of the workers realized the haulage cars were not stopping. This worker attempted to pull the worker standing by the scoop tram away from the area but that worker was hit by the haulage cars and pinned between a haulage car and the scoop tram. As a result of the incident, the worker suffered cuts and a broken bone.

Goldcorp Canada Ltd. failed as an employer to take all precautions reasonable in the circumstances for the protection of a worker, as provided for under s. 25 (2) (h) of the Occupational Health and Safety Act. Specifically, the company failed to take the reasonable precaution of ensuring that the operator of the vehicle had a clear view of the path of travel.

The company pleaded guilty and was fined \$100,000.

The fine was imposed in provincial court by Justice of the Peace Daisy Hoppe on July 22, 2015.

In addition to the fine, the court imposed a 25-per-cent victim fine surcharge as required by the Provincial Offences Act. The surcharge is credited to a special provincial government fund to assist victims of crime.

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Court Information at a Glance

Location:	Provincial Offences Court/Ontario Court of Justice 115 Howey Street Courtroom 1 Balmertown/Red Lake District, Ontario
Judge:	Justice of the Peace Daisy Hoppe
Date of Sentencing:	July 22, 2015
Defendant:	Goldcorp Canada Ltd. 40 King Street West (Scotia Plaza) Toronto, Ontario
Matter:	Occupational health and safety
Conviction:	Occupational Health and Safety Act Section 25(2)(h)
Crown Counsel:	Joe Ferraro/Mike Nicol



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